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## STATE LEGISLATURE.

## HOUSE.

WEEKLY, February 14.

House met at 10 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Snodgrass, of the

Chapline M. E. Church, was read.

On motion of Mr. Knott, the reading

of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Chancellor, the joint

committee on the Penitentiary have

power to employ a stenographer, if nec-

essary, to take testimony for said com-

mittee in the discharge of their duties.

Mr. Barr, from the Committee on the

Judiciary, reported House Joint Resolu-

tion No. 6, proposing an amendment to

the Constitution of the State, back to pass.

Also, House Bill No. 171, providing

for the preservation of files of newspa-

pers published in the State. Reported

back as inexpedient to legislate upon.

Also, House Bill No. 165, legalizing

the election of Spanish Bailey and John

H. Beckett as Justices in Town district

in the county of Raleigh, with recom-

mendation to pass.

Also, House Bill No. 113, in relation

to the payment of tolls on the Cumberland

road, with recommendation to pass.

Also, House Bill No. 105, amending and

renewing section 7, of chapter 123, of the

Acts of 1872-3, with recommendation to

pass.

Also, House Bill No. 105, extending

the time of redemption of lands sold for

taxes, with recommendation to pass.

Also, House Bill No. 154, granting ad-

ditional power to the Fairmont and Pal-

metine Bridge Company, with recommenda-

tion to pass.

Also, House Bill No. 54, a bill regulat-

ing pleadings in actions on policies of in-

surance, with recommendation to pass.

A message from the Senate was read,

announcing the passage of Senate Bill

No. 78, making it unlawful for dogs to

run at large in the county of Harrison.

The following bills were introduced by

motion for leave under rule 42, and re-

ferred to appropriate committees:

By Mr. Simpson: House Bill No. 182,

a bill limiting charges of justices. Re-

ferred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Morgan: House Bill No. 188,

amending and re-enacting section 63 of

chapter 225 of the acts of 1872 and 1873.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Wilson introduced House Bill No.

167, a bill providing for the ventilation

of coal mines and protection and safety

of the miners.

On motion laid on the table and or-

dered to be printed.

Also, a petition of Edward Huff and

323 others of the Kanawha Valley, ask-

ing for the passage of an act providing

for the better ventilation of coal mines.

Laid on the table to be considered with

House Bill No. 157.

On motion of Mr. Shirts Mr. Hall was

granted leave of absence for the day.

On motion of Mr. Lowe, Mr. Harrison

was granted leave of absence for this

day.

Engrossed House Bill No. 50, a bill in

relation to homesteads, on the third

reading, was recommitted to the Com-

mittee on Judiciary.

Engrossed House Bill No. 43, relating

to signal lights and other aids to naviga-

tion, was read a third time and passed,

to take effect from and after its passage.

Mr. Hiett presented a petition of E. R.

Robinson and others of Hampshire

county, asking that Mr. Myers, a resi-

dent of the county of Hampshire, be re-

stored to citizenship. Referred to the

Committee on Claims and Grievances.

Mr. Henderson, from the Committee on

Arts, Sciences and General Improve-

ments, reported House Bill No. 125, a bill

to prevent domestic animals from run-

ning at large, and recommended that it

pass.

Engrossed House Bill No. 11, imposing

a tax for hospital purposes, was read a

third time. On motion of Mr. Faulkner,

the bill was recommitted to the Judiciary

Committee.

Engrossed House Bill No. 95, relating

to burglary and house breaking, was read

a third time and passed.

Engrossed House Bill No. 33, relating

to the sale of the property of joint stock

companies, was read a third time and

passed, to take effect from its passage.

Engrossed House Bill No. 141, relating

to the sale of railroads and other internal

improvements, was read a third time

and passed, to take effect from its passage.

Mr. Summerville offered the following

resolution: That the Committee on the

Judiciary enquire into and report what

legislation is necessary to protect the

interests of West Virginia in the Peabody

Educational Fund. Also, that they en-

quire into and report the facts concern-

ing the alleged misappropriation of the fund

heretofore given to the West Virginia

normal school.

Mr. Hearne offered a resolution asking

that a Committee of five members of the

House of Delegates visit the Hospital

for the Insane, and make an inquiry

into the management of the same.

Engrossed House Bill No. 127, relating

to the charter of the Chesapeake &amp; Ohio

Railroad, was read a third time, passed

to take effect from its passage.

On motion of Mr. McLean, the House

took a recess until half past 4 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Hearne presented a petition asking

an investigation concerning certain

charges made against the management of

the Hospital for the Insane.

Mr. Imboden introduced the petition of

James Montgomery and sixty-three other

citizens of Fayette county, asking the

passage of Senate Bill No. 31 and House

amendments thereto.

On motion of the same gentleman, it

was laid on the table with Senate Bill

No. 31.

Mr. Lowe introduced House Bill No.

190, providing for the payment of the

claims audited by the Board of Public

Works in West Virginia.

Engrossed House Bill No. 91, relating

to the transfer of property to the Hospital

for the Insane, was read a third time

and recommitted to the Committee on In-

and other waters of this State, was read

a third time.

The bill was passed and Mr. Quarrier

appointed to announce the same to the

Senate.

Engrossed House Bill No. 23, concern-

ing grants and repeal of patents, was read

a third time and passed, to take effect

from its passage.

Engrossed House Bill No. 16, relating

to the protection of birds and game, was

read a third time and passed.

Engrossed House Bill No. 33, fixing

the times of holding the courts in the

counties of Wood, Wirt, Pleasants and

Grant, was read a third time and passed,

to take effect from its passage.

Engrossed House Bill No. 46, provid-

ing that the State Librarian shall be Ad-

jutant General ex-officio, was read a third

time and passed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr.

Johnson, announced that that body had

adopted Senate Joint Resolution No. 7,

providing for the appointment of a joint

committee to examine the W. Va. Hospi-

tal for the Insane.

The following bills came up on a see

only reading:

House Bill No. 121, for the relief of

Nash Statts, ordered for a third reading

and engrossment.

House Bill No. 107, making an approp-

riation of public money, to pay the per-

sonal representatives of Benish McAllis-

ter, deceased, ordered to a third read-

ing.

House Bill No. 55, relating to the estab-

lishment of a code of limited jurisdiction

in the city of Wheeling, ordered to a

third reading.

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